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Letter dated 6 November 1992 from the representatives of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

We have the honour, on behalf of the Governments of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, to transmit to you the text of a letter dated 5 November 1992 from the Heads of State of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to Your Excellency (see annex).

We should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 139, and of the Security Council.

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ANNEX

Letter dated 5 November 1992 from the Heads of State of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to the Secretary-General

On behalf of the three Baltic States, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, we appeal to Your Excellency, and request that you direct special attention to the situation in our region in connection with the decree of 29 October 1992 of the President of the Russian Federation. The provisions of that decree, which suspend the withdrawal of Russian troops from the Baltic States, contradict the objectives of the United Nations Organization, as well as principles of international law, and disregard the obligations to which the Russian Federation subscribed in the Helsinki Summit Declaration of 10 July 1992. This decree by the Russian Federation complicates the political situation in the Baltic States and may pose a serious threat to peace and stability in northern Europe.

Pursuant to your report entitled "An Agenda for Peace" and the present agenda of the General Assembly, the question of the withdrawal of Russian Federation troops will soon be discussed in the Assembly. However, if it becomes necessary, owing to changes in the position of the Russian Federation, the Council of the Baltic States may appeal to the Security Council.

Excellency, we hope that the use of your good offices will assist the Russian Federation and the Baltic States to establish good neighbourly relations with each other.

(Signed) Vytautas LANDSBERGIS
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(Signed) Anatolijs GORBUNOVS
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(Signed) Lennart MERI
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